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> POLY(ADP RIBOSE)POLYMERASE AND METHOD FOR USING SAME TO **IDENTIFY CANCERIGENIC AGENTS**

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## **RESPONSE TO SEPTEMBER 19, 2001 OFFICE ACTION IN** U.S. PATENT APPLICATION NO. 09/446,808

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Sir:

In response to the September 19, 2001 Office Action in the above-identified application, wherein the Examiner required restriction among pending claims 2-6 and 10-15, between: